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Applicants: Paul Freiberger et al.

Assignee: Interval Research Corporation

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Attention of a Person in the Vicinity of a Display
Device

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DECLARATION OF GILES N. GOODHEAD
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131

I, Giles N. Goodhead, hereby declare that:

1. I am an inventor of the invention of the above-referenced patent application.

2. Prior to October 1995, I engaged in one or more discussions with Paul A. Freiberger, a co-inventor of the invention of this application, regarding an idea for a system in which a computer periodically acquires content data (in particular, data representing news stories) from one or more other computers and uses the content data to generate a display of one or more images on a display device of the computer whenever the computer has been inactive for a predetermined duration of time.

3. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that

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